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JARDINE, MATHESON, & 'CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 30th November, 1898.

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OTICE is hereby given that under the powers conferred by the SPECIAL RESOLUTION passed and confirmed on the 5th and 25th days of June, 1897 the Undersigned General Managers did on the 30th day of November, 1898 make a FINAL CALL of \$5 per SHARE on account of the price of the New Shares issued in pursuance of such RESOLUTION and a FINAL CALL of \$5 on account of the PREMIUM for each such share and that such CALLS are PAYABLE at the OFFICES of the General Managers, No. 9, Praya Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on the 1st

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Dated the 1st December, 1898.
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.

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W. H. T. DAVIS, Manager, -----THE STRAITS INSURANCE CO., LD. Hongkong, 14th December, 1898.

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THE YELLOW DWARF. HARLEQUIN THE KNAVE OF HEARTS.

and the

FAIR PRINCESS. On the following dates:-

THURSDAY; 5th January, 1899. MONDAY, 9th WEDNESDAY, 11th

SATURDAY, 14th
The TICKET OFFICE at the Theatre will be OPENED on THURSDAY, the 22nd Dec.; at 10 A.M. and Seats can be booked from to A.M. to 4 Pint., every day; SUNDAYS and GENERAL HOLIDAYS excepted.

E. W. MITCHELL, Hon, Secretary, Hongkong, 8th December, 1898,

To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THERE will be NO COMPETITION TO-MORROW, the Range having been placed at the disposal of the Royal Engineers.
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Hon. Sec.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1898.



GOVERNMENT BILLS.

TENDERS for SPECIE-MEXICAN. DOLLARS, Current in this Colony, and weighing 7.1.7., in Exchange for Sterling Bills drawn at to days sight on the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, London, will be received by the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, until 11 A.M. on MONDAY, the 19th instant.

The Tenders to state the total amount required (in Pounds Sterling), and the amount for which eachabill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for sums less than £100.

The Tenders to be in Duplicate and in scaled covers, addressed to, the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, and endorsed "Tenders for Government Bills,"

The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved. E. H. GORGES.

Chief Paymaster, China. Her Majesty's Treasury Office,

Queen's Road. Hongkong, 14th December, 1898.

VICTORIA REGATTA. TUESDAY, 20th, and WEDNESDAY, 21st

December.

APTAIN BORLAND having kindly lent the Victoria Recreation Club the British ship Rensington as Flagship, the Committee request the pleasure of the Company of the LADIES of Hongkong on Board on the occasion of the ANNUAL REGATTA.

Through the courtesy of the Chief Manager of the DOCK COMPANY, the Fame will convey passengers to the Flagship each day, leaving the NEW PEDDER'S WHARF at 12.30 P.M., and 1 P.M. and returning to minutes after the last Race.

Admission to the Flagship, \$1 each day. A Portion of the Flagship will be reserved for Ladies and their Friends. TICKETS of Admission may be obtained

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Regiment will perform each day. The Ladies' Prize will be presented by Miss BLATE, on board the Flagship, on the first day of the Regatta.

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General Managers, Hongkong, 16th December, 1898; [1473

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Manager. For the BANK OF CHINA & JAPAN, LIMITED, HONGKONG, E. L. HUNTER, Manager.

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E. W. RUTTER, Hongkong, 13th December, 1898.

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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1898.

TELEGRAMS

(By Telegraph.)

Special to the "Houghong Telegraph." THE EMPRESS DOWAGER'S

RECEPTION: ... Tiextsin, December 15th. 8.20 p.Hi.

The Empress Dowager received the wives of the foreign Ministers on Passday. Lady Macdonald acted as spokeswoman and the Empress Dowager was most hospitable. The Emperor was present and both he and the Empress Dowager shook hands with their guests. A great success.

Received 9.20 p.m. 15th December. Published 1 p.m. 16th December.

REUTER'S TELECRAMS.

THE LIBERAL PARTY. LONDON, December, 14th,

Sir William Harcourt has written to Mr. Morley resigning the leadership of the Liberal Party on the grounds that he cannot consent to lead a party rent by sectional disputes and personal interests. The papers consider the position of the Liberal Party serious.

THE FRENCH STATE LOAN FOR

INDO-CHINA. The French Government in deference to the Budger Committee has walved the proposed State guarantee for any part of the Tong King railway loan,

CUBA. General Brooke has been appointed Military Governor of Cuba with control of the Military: and Civil administrations.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says :- On the 16th at 11.40 Barometric changes are slight. The high pressure area remains central over China, and pressure is still low in E. Japan. Gradients moderate on the coast, rather steep with very strong monsoon in the N. part of the China Sea. FORECAST:-Moderate N. E. winds;

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE U.S.S. Concord arrived to-day from

A CHINAMAN was fined \$10 or one month today for disorderly conduct in a public place.

A FINE of \$45 was to-day imposed on a culprit who had three taels of opium in his possession unlawfully.

INSPECTOR Duncan caught a chandler in West Street with unjust weights and the offender was fined \$25 with the alternative of six weeks.

A MARINE engineer named Thomas Donaldson was to-day fined \$25, in default six weeks, for being drunk and indecently exposing, himself on Pedder's Wharf.

AN unemployed Chinaman to-day admitted that he had enticed a girl from the colony for the purposes of immigration and he was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

P.C. HOGGARTH at the Magisterial levee to day presented a batch of eleven rogues and vagabonds, some with previous convictions, and they each got seven days' hard labour.

THE Summary Court case Smith and Cox v Watkins & Co. in which a claim of \$300 is made in connection with the "Art Supplements" comes on for hearing at 10 a.m. on Thursday.

H.M.S. Grafton leaves port to-morrow for Singapore to bring up the new dredger that has just come out from England. H.M.S. Immortalité leaves for Singapore shortly after Christmas.

WE hear that H. M. S. Woodlark, one of the new river gunboats recently sent out, has met with an accident her midship section being. dropped from the derrick and badly damaged while being hoisted out. As the plates are of Harveyised steel it is feared that repairs cannot be executed here.

As will be seen by reference to our advertising columns, the Committee of the Victoria Recreation Club request the pleasure of the company of the ladies of Hongkong on board the Flagship on the two days of the Regatta. The Ladies' Prize will be presented by Miss Blake, on board the Flagship, on the first day.

THE outward and visible signs of the approach of Christmas are now with us and the shopwindows are full of all sorts of pretty and tempting things. The jewellers, booksellers, general storekeepers; drapers and other tradestolk all vieing with each other to provide good cheer for the public in the festive season. Notices of some of the principal displays will at the present moment seems to bear out the be given in to-morrow's issue,

A CRICKET match will, be played to-morrow between the Club and the Fleet. The Club will be represented by Messrs. Smith, Anton, Cox, Lowe, Hancock, Arthur, G. D. Campbell, H.K.R., K. G. Campbell, R.A., Lethbridge, K.O.R., Capt. Langhoine and Rev. G. K. Vallings. As the Navy have a large Fleet to choose from, it is expected that they will put in a very strong Eleven, and a good match is anticipated.

H.MS, Sandpiper has, we hear undergone her first steam trial. The following conversation was overheard recently concerning this somewhat unique but useful craft :-

CONSERVATIVE CHINAMAN :-- Hy yair B'long allo same licksha, no b'long junk, REFORMER:-My savee he; Englishman talkee makee bath machine. Spose you wantchee bath ten cents one time can do. England side plenty hab got!

THE new quarters of the Soldiers and Shilors Institute were formally opened on Wednesday last. That evening there was held a tea and concert arranged by the Hongkong Temperance Union, at which over. 150 were present. The Chairman of the Institute desires to offer the grateful thanks of the Committee to the performers at the Concert; and plan to all those. kind helpers who so ably assisted in decarating the rooms, and in providing the ten and other refreshments.

THE road from Pedder's Hill to Glenchly is never a particularly dusty one but some three or four hirelings to-day made the place a perfect Inferna by sweeping the surface dust off the road into the side channel. They sent up clouds of dust and, worse still, had not the common decency to desist when people were passing. A number of ladies in chairs were fairly enwrapped in the dust and it was only some rather forcible intervention by a passer-by that caused a temporary cessation of the nuisance, P. W. D. Verb. sap.

A CHINESE boiler maker was to-day charged with the unlawful detention of three women against their will in his house 91 Praya Central, for the purposes of immigration. One of the women at the Magistracy stated that she came from Canton with defendant's wife and was taken to their house. She came down to be a servant. She was told she could not get work here, but that in Singapore she could easily earn a few hundred dollars. She was also told that she would have to tell the Immigration Officer that she was going to Singapore to be a prostitute or she would not be allowed to go: She did not Intend to he a prostitute, Last evening she stole out of the house and met har brotherin-law near the Markets, and subsequently they informed the police. Mr. Wilkinson, for the defence, asked for a remand till to-morrow. This was grapped, bail of \$500 being allowed. Alercury.

NOTES FROM THE NORTH.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

TIENTSIN, December oth. The ladies' Audience has not yet come off, but it is booked to do so, and the principal difficulties are I believe in a fair way to being overcome. The ladies are to be duly provided with special chairs within the Palace Grounds, and are to be permitted to take their own interpreters to a certain distance. The precise date however, is not yet fixed I believe.

THE OLD TUTOR DISGRACED Poor old Weng Tang-ho the Emperor's tutor has been stripped by Imperial Edict of all office, rank and honours. By office, I mean the privilege of again holding office, for as a matter of fact he was banished to his home some months ago. The Edict in question is especially issued by the Vermillion pencil to make it the more emphatic, and states that when he was in the Privy Council he failed to direct the Emperor aright, and to show him how to conduct the affairs of the nation in accordance with modern examples, but instead kept him engrossed with ancient customs etc. During the war he had not given His Majesty any clear idea as to China's best policy, and whether she was wise I to cease fighting or to go on, and to crown his culpability he had introduced such a man as Kang Yu Wei Under such circumstances there was no resource open to them but to to deprive Weng Tung-ho of all rank, and command that he never hold office again, to prove how utterly the Throne despised such men!

THE RAILWAY AND MINING BUREAU. is threatened to become a doad letter by reason of the strong objection to it said to be felt by one of its directors. He is said to have memorialised the Throne to abolish the Bureau, but that the request was for some reason refused. Whether the official (who is supposed to be Chow, as it is thought Wang Weu-shao would not hold such an opinion) has had a hint to nullify the Bureau in fact, I don't know But it appears that he has stated that no applications for the construction of lines or opening of mines will be for a moment considered which reduces the institution to a dead letter and I strongly suspect it is the Government way of doing things. The official gives four reasons for objecting to the Bureau! That it does not benefit the Government. 2. That it injures the people's livelihood. 3, That opens the way for cunning merchants to become monopolists. 4. That it will furnish an excuse for foreigners to come in and interfere with the

Talking of mining concessions reminds me

MR. PRITCHARD MORGAN. is very jubilant over having as he says obtained the right to open and work all kinds of mines in the whole Province of Sezchuan. I can only hope that his report of the situation is correct, and that he not been led away by any partial success to imagine that he grasps the whole: know he has gone a great way towards getting the Concession, but I amgiven to understand the final ratification has not yet taken place, and as we know, everything depends on that. However Mr. Morgan is satisfied that no hitch can occur, and if that is so, he has secured a big thing if he is prepared to work it on the spot. He left here for the south last week, leaving Mr. Hay as his representative in the north. He goes straight home believe and is expected back here in the spring. He many possibly go home by the same vessel as Lord Charles,

A REPRESENTATIVE MEETING. is talked of here, and may be followed by others in all the ports, the idea being to draw up resolutions of the public apprehensions and demands to lay before the House in support of Lord Charles, and the idea is I think an excellent one. THE RUSSIAN POSITION

prophetic suggestions with regard to that country that I have indulged in from time to time. In spite of the very emphatic assurances from the Capital that all is quiet, and the exodus of special correspondents which has taken place, I have grave suspicions as to Russia's contemplated movements this winter. A correspondent writing from Manchuria to our native paper here states that the number of Russian troops in North China territory is not less than 125,000. I cannot vouch for these numbers, neither can any one, for the simple reason that they are scattered over such a large area and so many small detachments that it is impossible to estimate their number. These small detachments when they are encountered by travellers give the impression that Russia's force is really much smaller than stated, but that does not follow. We very well know how small amounts total up. There are five battalions between Kirin and Mukden, 5,000 men at Vladivostock, a battation at Hulan, 3 battalions at the Sugarie River etc. etc. and it is impossible to say how many there may or may not be. One thing I know, that all the main roads to Peking from Mukden are strongly guarded by Russians, and wherever good roads do not exist they are busy levelling, widening etc. while the troops throughout Manchuria are equipped and provisoned for a long march, Where to? They say "South" and South means Peking of course. Well; we shall see. Everyone laughs at the idea, but if they do turn up one fine day, don't forget your humble correspondent has always empahatically pro-

The weather keeps charming, and there are hopes that the river will keep open for another ten days at least. At present it is just pleasantly cold, no jee visible, and as cargoes are backward everyong hopes for a little longer reprieve Priends and Christmas good cheer are stil somewhere between here and Hongkong and great disappointment will be felt if the river

ALL SAINT'S SCHOOL has a great preak up on the 20th, when Lady MacDonald is kindly going to present the prizes which is a great treat to the children and a satisfaction to the parents as well as a gracefu tribute to the teachers who have worked hard and deserve every encouragement. From all hear it will be most successful.

RUSSIA AGAIN. was almost forgetting to mention that Russia has asked for the Maqua Islands to be included: In her Port Arthur concession | not had ch? as they completely dominate the entrance to the

CHANG CHIHTUNG AND THE EMPRESS-DOWAGER.

cellor arrived at Wuchang on the 3rd instant, and was received by a very large body of officials, who ascembled at the Official Reception Payllion to formally enquire after the health of the Emperor and Empress Downger. The Chancellor then proceeded to the Viceregal Vainen and there delivered a message from the Empress Downger to the Viceroy highly praising him for bls patriotic and energetic performance of duty. The Viceroy said he was profoundly grateful for the praise and the people were unanimous in their sumiration of the well deserved appreciation by the Empress. Dowager of Viceroy Change services,

SHANGHAI AND THE NORTH.

(From Shanghai Papers.) During last month 13,320 tons of coal, valued nt yen 92,965 were shipped from Moji to

The Hone John Barrett, Into U.S. Minister to Siam, who has been the guest of Sir Nicholas Hannen for a few days since his return from Peking, is now about to make a trip to Japan by the Doric and will return to Shanghal in Ianuary.

ANHUI DOLLARS. Under orders from the high authorities, the Shanghai Magistrate has published a proclamation declaring the dollars coined in Anhui to be a legal tender in all respects and forbidding the public to refuse or depreciate them.

NEW CRUISERS. The Universal Gasetle states that the Dockyard in Foochow has completed two cruisers for the Government and the building of a 3,000 ton cruiser, 4 torpedo boats, a 3,000 ton man-of-war and another of 6,000 tons is being carried

COUNT DE BEZAURE. A Nanking dispatch states that Count de Bezaure has left Nanking for Wuhu instead of coming back to Shanghai as was at first surmised, and that Viceroy Liu has, in con sequence, sent a Taotai named Tao to Wuht apparently to report upon the movements of the French cruiser Descartes in that vicinity. .NEW TROOPS.

According to a special telegram from Tientsin to the Universal Gazette, a few Chinese officials sent from Peking to Tientsin and Shanhaikuan to enlist soldiers have succeeded in raising several thousand men. It is alleged that 10,000 men are required and these are for the formation of the new army under Jung Lu, Field Marshal of the Northern forces. THE "DESCARTES" AT NANKING.

Native reports from Nanking state that the Descartes has been frightening the people thereby firing guns every night and when an explanation was asked for by the Chinese officials the French replied that they were drilling their marines. The Chinese Commander of the forts at Hsia Kuan has ordered all the willow. trees in front of the forts to be cut down in order that they might not impede the firing in case of necessity,

SHOOTING ACCIDENT. A sad accident occurred at Foochow on the 28th November. Some Russians formed a shooting party to Yuenfa, and whilst climbing the hills one of their number wandered out of sight. Soon after, a report was heard, and as their friend, did not put in an appearance search was made, when he was found lying a the base of a rock with one of his arms shattered. It appears a fall whilst climbing caused the gun to go off. The wounded man is progressing favourably.

THE SILK INDUSTRY According to a Wuchang dispatch a Canton ese syndicate is negotiating with. Vicero-Chang Chihtung as to the purchase of the valuable silkweaving machinery he recently bought from Europe in connection with his modern College of Sericulture at Hanyang. If the syndicate succeeds in getting the above machinery on favourable terms it is intended to remove it to Hankow where the manufacture of silk fabrics will be vigorously prosecuted. SHANTUNG AFFAIRS.

Bishop Anzer, who returned some time ago to Shantung, has sent home a letter dated Sept. 3. The picture given by the Bishop is any thing but promising; matters were tolerably well when the letter was despatched; but the political atmosphere was threatening all round and the anti-dynastic movement was daily gaining ground. The learned Bishop feared very fatal occurrences to happen shortly.

Some Chinese merchants, says the Universal Gazette, contemplate establishing a depot at Cingchiangpu for the transportation of Shantung coal to . Chinkiang and Shanghai for consumption. It has been decided that no less than 1,000 tons will be transported at a spent two years carefully and minutely studytime and the depot will shortly be opened 200. ling, and noting down the language, the geneatons of this coal have been shipped to Chin-

kiang as a sample. LORD CHARLES BERESFORD. Lord Charles Beresford had three long and important interviews with the Viceroy Chang Chili-tung at Wuchang; the other important topic at Hankow during the past week being the St. Andrew's Ball, which came off there with great success in the new Victoria Hall At Wuhu on his way down the river Lord Charles accepted the invitation of the Viceroy Liu to take passage in the cruiser Nanshiu. which promptly ran aground, the river being very low. She quickly got off, however.

News by wire has reached the Universal Gazette from Chungking saying that Yu Mantzu and his followers have not been pacified and Father Fleury is still in detention. Yu's lieufenant Tung Tsaiping is still leading the rebels about and seeking to molest Christians. It has been reported that Taotai Jen has wired to the provincial Treasurer proposing to quell Yu Mantzu hordes by force but for the sake of Father Fleury this has not been carried out Truchou and Luchon, and the whole neighbourhood are also in a state of ferment.

FAREWELL TO DR STUEBEL On Saturday last Dr. Stuebel, retiring Consul General for Germany in Shanghai, was their spelling were changed from a meaningless entertained at the Club'de Recrejo by Senhor Valdez, Senior Consul, who took the occasion of Dr. Stuebel's immediate departure for Europe to express the great respect in which he was held by all members of the foreign; able number of curious tools, implements, and community and also referred to his hospitality and urbanity. Dr. Stuebel replied in suitable the old native legends and fairy tales were terms, stating that he felt touched by the cordiality of Senhor Valdez and all present, and in difficulty, for there is much of a cross-grained proposing the toast of Shanghai took the reticence in the Ponape character, to be opportunity to say that he would be very pleased to return if he were ordered to do so by ils Government. ANOTHER FIRE.

A fire broke out at 7.45 p.m. on Saturday in

a native dwelling house on east Dongkaloong, North Fukien Road Shanghai. It was started by some fire falling from a cooking stov on to a quantity of wood shavings. The alarm was speedily raised and as speedily responded to, but from the nature of the buildings which were very old inded, the flames made rapid very short space of time. The fire brigade had to cope with a serious difficulty owing to the fact that the hydrants were a considerable disfance from the premises, and had it not been that the buildings were only one storey high, and provided with fairly good dividing walls, a disastrous conflagration must have resulted as the neighbourhood is thickly congested, both in point of strugtures and population. The fire, however, was extinguished after much genuing hard work before ten o'clock, when five houses had been completely destroyed and four damaged. The property, which is Chinese; was not insured,

Kao Kuang-ye says that Heaven is distant from the Earth 72,260 miles, and that the thicks ness of the Earth is the same as the Beight of Heaven, North and South are discrite from each other 77,294 miles, and as steps, East means forgetting that quaint and interesting and West are distant, four steps less

IMPERIAL DECREES

PERING December 4th. A MISSIONARY EXALTED. We have received a momorial from Liu Kun-yii-Viceroy of the Liangkiang provinces, stating that a heintsai (licentiate) of Kuangfenghsien, Kiangsu province, named Yang Kung-cheng endeavoured in the 4th moon of this year (May-June) to conspire against the Government and tried to persuade a missionary named Liu Tsai-tu to join him in his rebellion. Fortunately this missionary was an honest and law-ablding man and handed to the memorialist the original letter of the said Yang Kung-cheng which led to the latter's arrest and trial, clearly proving that the accused desired to robe against the constituted authorities. We hereby ordered the said Yang Kung-cheng to be summarily executed as an warning to all Now foreign missionaries come to China to exhort people to be good. As the said missionary has come forward of his own accord to reveal the conspiracy which was proved by the secret letter sent him by the said Yang Kung-cheng, this missonary has indeed proved his object in being in this country—that of exhorting people to be good. A most praise-worthy action indeed I We hereby grant to the said missionary, Liu Tsai-tu, the brevet 3rd rank button, with the 2nd rank button for his parents as a mark of our appreciation for his

[Note: As missionaries generally adopt Chlnese names, it is impossible to know off hand who is meant by the lerm " Liu Tsai-tu."-ED. NEW APPOINTMENTS.

Chang Shao-hua is appointed Provincial Treasurer of Kiangsi; Chang Lu (Manchu) to the same post at Kinngning (Nanking); and Yen Chi (Manchu) Provincial Judge of Honan. THE DIRECTOR-GENERALSHIP OF RAILWAYS.

We have received the memorial of Prince Ching asking us to appoint a Director-General for the projected milway between Tientsin and and! Chinkiang and we hereby appoint Hu Yu-fen to the post. But as the said Vice-President of a Board has also the Director -Generalship of the Tientsin-Soochow and Tientsin-Shanhai-kuan railways he will not be able alone to attend to the whole work and we therefore appoint as his assistant the Taotai Chang Yen-mao who is hereby promoted to the rank of a Metropolitan expectant official of the 4th grade. - N. C. Daily News.

EXPLORATION IN THE CAROLINE ISLANDS.

There has quite recently returned from the Caroline Islands an accomplished English explorer Mr. Frederick. W. Christian, who has a very interesting account to give of his investigations there as well as in other island groups? of the Pacific. Mr. Christian was educated at Eton and Oxford a some nine years ago he left England for Australia and found himself in a position, to realize his ambition of exploring the area of the so-called Malayo-Polynesian tribes. He stayed nearly three years in Samoa, studying the language and customs of the peoples, especially those who are furthest removed from the settlements of the white man. He bought some land in the valley of the Vaisingano River, near R. L. Stevenson's plantation at Vailima; Stevenson proved himself the very best of neighbours, the kindliest of entertainers, Of his society and sympathy and hospitality Mr. Christian entertains the most pleasing recollections. On his departure for Tahiti and the Marquesas. Stevenson took overhis little plantation and experimental nursery of economical plants at a most generous figure. The Forest Department of New South Wales, in exchange for some packets of Samoan seeds, had forwarded Mr. Christian quantities of the seed of valuable Australian economic trees of the black butt, stringy-bark, golden wattle, and various kinds of eucalyptus, which throve excellently in the rich soil under the care of his righthand man, a carefully trained Tongan islander, Tupon of Vavau. In Tahiti and the Marquesas Mr. Christian

logies, folklore, and traditions of a kindly hospitable, and singularly interesting folk, Soon after his return to Sydney Mr. Christian met that remarkable Ulysses of Pacific waters, Mr. Louis Becke. On his advice he determined-single-handed to visit Spanish Micronesia and obtain some further and minuter information upon certain mysterious mins reported to exist upon Bonate or Ponape and Leie, two islands lying further to the eastward of the extensive Caroline chain. By the kind offices of Mr. Stewart Lockhart, Colonial Secretary, and Sir William Robinson, the Governor of Hongkong, Mr. Christian received letters of introduction to General Blanco; the then Spanish Governor of the Philippines, who in turn furnished him with introductions to the two deputy governors on Yap and Ponape-the respective scats of government in the Western and Eastern Carolines. The results of Mr. Christian's explorations were as follow:-A=Pampanga native, since executed by the Spanish for joining the late Philippine rebellion. took some 150 photographs in the districts of Kiti, U. Metalanim, Not, and Chokach (wrongly styled Jekolts and Jokolts in the present charts? The walled islets of Nan-Matal, the mysterious Venice of Micronesia, were explored and mapped out fairly accurately. The The phonesis of very many, native names and jargon to their correct native conderings and accompanying significations. He also made excavations in the central vault of the sanctuary of Nan-Tanach, bringing to light a gonsider, shell ornaments of an ancient date. Many of rescued from oblivion athle slowly and with overcome only by mingled patience and perseverance. Bome new information was obtained about the flora and marine life of the archipeli ago, The former presence of an early Negrito race, conquered and absorbed or overlapped

by later waves of Polynesian. Malayan, and Melancaian immigrants, was fairly established, Also evidence was collected as to the obtrusion of many Japanese words upon the Micronesia area. This was elaborately demonstrated by an exhaustive list of 450 English key words - nouns verbs; and adjectives—in the various Microneprogress and nine houses were involved in a sian dialects. In this Mr. Christain followed the example of Codrington, Turner, and Wallace, who published lists of keywords on a similar plan, grauping and comparing side by side the languages of the Melanesian, Polynesian, and Indonesian or Malayan areas, Mr. Christaln spent some three months upon Vap in the Western Carclines. Some of the ancient platforms and burial places of a Japanese design-and the remarkable village council lodges were sketched. The latter very much recall the malogras described by travellers amongst some of the Indian tribes in South America. A good many curious traditions were notedidown.

Mr. Christian returned home pla New Zealand, Honoluly, and the United States after an absence of nearly nine years! After pulling the results of his work on record through the Royal Geographical Society and otherwise, it is his intention to revisit the Carolines and Mariannes, taking particular notice of Ruk Tinian, Salpan, Pulawat, and Muku Oro, by ng group, the Polow Islands - Tinies;

YU MAN-TZE AND HIS REBELS.

The following dispatch from a native correspondent at Chungking will give an idea of the condition of the country within the sphere of Yü Man-tze and his licutenants' operations :--In the market town of Shuangchiang, under the jurisdiction of the district magistracy of Suininghsien, lives a wealthy notable named Yang Santai. Yu Man-tze hearing of this chiang and demanded funds for the "good not pass it over as an idle rumor for it is very work," i.e., driving out the Christians and widespread. The missionaries in Pekin have gave at once the Tls. 2,000 demanded. place I am told the actual edict has been seen. But Yu's lieutenant having obtained the In Kiukiang also there is a rumour to the money at the first demand so easily wanted same effect. This is wide-spread knough more. The rapacity of the rebels, however, and no doubt but that in other places roused up the townsmen of Yang and they the wsame is true. Take all this same time that not one copper cash more in the North and it would seem should be paid the rebels. A fight them en- indicate the Empress-Dowager is plotting Yang then carried his captives in triumph to to know that her secret is no longer a secret magistrate consented; then he became scared to her and her Empire, such a mad scheme at the threats of the prisoners who declared that for each one beheaded of their comten citizens of Suininghsien would be slain in revenge by, their leader West, The Mission may probably from one-Yii Man-tze, and so wanted to free the prisoners! Yang and his townsmen, however, resolutely refused to allow the pusillanimous magistrate to do so and this getting to the | ing is an Englishman and is in this country in cars of Tang Yü's lieutenant,-he and his men made a demonstration in force upon Shuangthe ground if his men were not released. The townsmen, however, showed a bold front to the | measures are not taken this murder will be rebels and the two forces, at date of this letter (23rd November), are still opposed to each other.—On the night of 15th of November some one-supposed to be one of Yu's sympathisers—set fire to the barracks occupied by some troops at a place called Pishan. A panic ensued and numbers of women, thinking the rebels had entered the place, committed suicide, those who were inothers first killing their youngest childrenover the river into Hochiang and Nochi districts, pillaging and plundering indiscriminately wherever they go, while the people, misled by the declarations of the febels that they had only come to "Kill Christians and Foreigners," welcomed the rebels only to find out their mistake to their own detriment and loss. Those who have been plundered of their all have therefore also turned into bandits and so the game goes on-the insurgents, as they must now be called, increasing in numbers daily.-N. C. D. News,

A SLAVER OF FIFTY YEARS AGO.

A correspondent writes: "In reference to the slave trading dhow captured recently off the coast of Persia, everybody said, 'How terrible for such things to be in these days! I happened to come across an old identity of nautical renown, who told me about thrilling days, and showed me an old paper, of Sydney in 46, in which was written an account of the Tokyo:-"The United States gun-boat Rangar capture of an American slaver by a United-States cruiser of Africa. The cruiser kept the prize alongside, and in the morning the captain was shocked to find eighteen had died during the night. Still greater horror-was felt when on going on board it was found that on a 330ton vessel there were 480 men slaves stowed on the water casks in the hold, like herrings, with the covers on, for fear of detection. Some of the weaker were strangled by the strongerones battling for air., Fifty women were stowed in half the deck cabin tound-house, the other half being used by the officers for meals, etc. The cantain of the 'Pons' slaver said he had meant to ship 400 more if he had not been chased. When on the spar-deck 150 slaves more than filled it. This is only one case of many to be found in the newspapers of barely fifty years ago-the 'good old days,' "

THE GOSPEL OF AUTOCRACY.

M. Pobledonosiseff, who held the position of tutor to the late Czar and who as Procurator of the Holy Synod stood nearest to the Russian Throne, has published his reflections, under the title of "Reflections of a Russian Statesman,". A Star reviewer says the pages of this work reveal the most potent and most remarkable personality in Russla-perhaps in Europe! M. Pobiedonostseff has been of the most powerful influences at work in the shaping of Russianpolicy. The down-trodden Jew and the hunted Stundist detect in his hands the unseen cause of their misery. Thoughtful, learned, astute, devout, he retires every year for several months. into a convent, and in this quiet monastle solation he has evolved his narrow theories of humanity and its government. With a passionate hate for Western ideas, a boundless scorn for the common herd, and a blind reverance for faith and authority, he holdly challenzes the whole course of modern progress. He mingles as a scoffer among the people in the marketplace; he is a prophet crying "Woe! woe!" among the councillors of the Czar; a warning figure backoning the peoples of Europe away from the snares and pitfalls of iberalism, a mediceval monk guiding the destinies of a modern state. While he is telling his beads, the world has been rolling on, But he either knows not or cares not; it is but the progress to chaos and anarchy | 4

The Procurator has such a contempt for the mere human reason that we wonder why he himself uses it so freely through-out his work as an instrument of human persuasion.

According to this philosopher mankind is, inetaphotically speaking, a mere aggregate of the lame, halt, and blind, only safe so long as t leans on those crutches of faith and autocracy which Western nations flung away when they stumbled on to the path of Liberalism. M. Pobledonostseff accordingly bares his arms and proceeds to smash to atoms and grind to powder the valinted idols of the Liberal faith-Press, Parliament, trial by jury, democratic government. Blow after blow falls upon the democratic edifice. "The Press is one of the falsest institutions of our time," representing nothing but the cupidity of its owners and the folly and wickedness of the mob. "Parliament is an institution serving for the satisfaction of the personal ambition, vanity, and self interest of its members—one of the greatest illustrations of human delusion, the great political lie which dominates our age." Trial by jury is but the grotesque absurdity of a gaping mob, treasure lost, whose shallow brains are played upon by the 1897. Explosion at a gunpowder factory at dialectical skill of clever and unscrubulous fillyocates—and so forth and so forth,

THE MAJOR'S WRITING.

The story is told of Major Bower, who line recently been sent to Wei-hal-wel to raise a regiment of Chinese, that he once sent home to the British Archæological Society, a valuable Buddhist document he had unearthed in Thibet, together with a hurriedly-written covering letter. Only one circumstance detracte from the secide which was the Buddhist of Lyment and sylvidis the covering letter. - Excharge.

A SECRET EDICT.

"It is stated," says our Kinklang correspondent, "that, a secret edict has been issued by the Empress-Downger to every Yaman in the Empire ordering the officials on a given date to institute a general massacre of all Christains and foreigners. The hope being, presume, that by this drastic stroke the Empire will be rid of all innovators and and that man's wealth sent his lieutenant. Tang a period of peace for the spoilers will ensue.

Tsui-ping and a body of rebels to Shuang- It will pay our officials to look into this and foreigners. Fearing to disoboy Yu's commands heard of it through their native friends and so lest the whole town should suffer, this notable have the missionaries in Nankin. In the latter prepared to fight the rebels, declaring at the in connection with the gathering of armies sued between the militiamen of the town and something on a grand scale. If we are fore, the rebels, resulting disastrously for the latter, | warned we are forearmed. Every precautionfifteen being killed and thirteen captured alive. | should be taken, and, if the Empress is given the Suinghsien magistrate asking that they but common property and that the first move should be beheaded as rebels. At first the in any direction will bring irremedial disaster will probably be abandoned. In the meantime what is the British Government doing in reference to the murder of the Englishman out sided religious notions take no action. But the Government is bound to do so whether the Mission requests it or not. The man Mr. Flomaccordance with Treaty and engaged in a lawful occupation. He was entitled to prochiang threatening to raze the market town to tection and could have obtained it; the duty of the Government is clear and if some strong repeated on a larger scale. "The idea that Yu Man Tsz cannot be

controlled is of course absurd and does not deceive any one acquainted with Chinese methods of government. The officials seem certainly at the back of him and are not displeased at the turn affairs have taken. It foreigners are murdered as they have been in this instance, and in that of M. Fleury, for he is as good as dead, the officials will plead that Large numbers of rebels have recently crossed the country, is in a lawless condition and they could not help it. The extensive massacres of Christians' in Szechuen is along the line indicated above. If an open official murder of foreigners and Christians fails then the same thing accomplished in another way will be just as effectual. All this may be pooh pooled, but the officials...seem to be made enough to attempt almost anything. This at any rate is certain and that is that an antiforeign wave is again sweeping in over this country and there are many signs of it on al

> The above is indeed startling news, but we do not think that the Empress-Dowager, as bad as we believe her to be, would be foolish enough to issue such an Edict. - Mercury.

THE PACIFIC CABLE.

The following Washington telegram, says the Japan Times, has just been received in is being fitted out at San Francisco, and wil soon sail for the purpose of surveying thell route of the Pacific Cable between Hawaii, the Philippines and Japan via the Caroline and Ladrone Islands. Rear-Admiral John Irwin, a Director of the Pacific Cable Co., will accompany the expedition."

This is welcome news to Japan and the whole East, says our contemporary. We hope that the results of the survey will be such as wil induce the Americans to proceed with the laying of the line without any delay. The cost need not be very great, for an arrangement, we believe can easily be made with the lap anese Government for the use of the cablealready in operation between this country an Formesa, which is separated from the Philippines only by a short distance: Such kn arrangement will be mutually advantageous,

NOTANDA. CALENDAR.

DECEMBER, Meteorological means based on ten years'

observations to 1893. -Barometer 4......29.818 Humidity......77 Rainfall 8.58 TO-DAY. WEATHER REPORT.

On date at On date at Barometer.....30,38 Thermometer Gr Humidity 21 Rainfall

Friday, 16th December, 1898, Chinese—4th of 12th moon of 24th year of

High water-Afternoon ohr. 18min. and solt, gamin. Low water-Morning 5hr. 20min. Afternoon 3hr. 49min. ANNIVERSARIES.

1857—Earthquake along the Mediterranean shores: 10,000 lives lost. 1874-Loss by fire of the ship Horatio Shanghai.

TO-MORROW. Saturday, 17th December, 1898. Chinese-5th of 11th moon of 24th year of Kwang-sil.

High water-Afternoon They build. and Ithr. 30min. Low syntar-Morning bhr., 5min. Afternoon thr. 38min. ANNIVERSARIES.

1838 Captain Elliot held a public meeting meeting and asked the foreign merchants of Canton to assist him in stopping the oplum traffic between Lintinand Whampoa. 1845-Gun cotton invented.

1874-The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer Japan burnt, I European passenger, the cook, and 389 Chinese drowned; \$359,000 Canton 1.30 lives lost.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS,

MAILS DUR German (Prina Helprick) to-morrow. Indian (Suisang) to-morrow, American (Belgie) igili inst. French (Indus) 19th inst. Australian (Menmuir) 20th Inst. Australian (Yamashtro Maru) aret inet. American (Copile) 27th insti

THE Agents (Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co.) inform us that the steamer Hongkong Maru from London, left Singapore for this port, and is due here on or about the 19th instant.

WE are informed by the Agents (Messis, Shewan, Tomes & Co. What the "Shire" line "steamtr Radnorshire from London, left Singapore for this port, and is due here on or about the 22nd instant.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS. Isidoro Pous at ... Kowloon H.I.G.M.S. Kaiser ... 1 Hongkong 9 Chronshan H.I.G.M.S. Moewe ... , H.I.G.M.S. Gefion .: " H.I.GM.S. K. Ata... Ingraban 'n Cosmopolitan Heungshan

Haiphong Dec. 14 Haimun Hongkong ... J. M. & Co. 14 Talcheong Amoy L. & H. 14 Bellerophon Amoy B. & S. 14 Wuchang Wuhu B. & S. 14 Wenchord Chefon B. & S. 15 Whampda..... Shanghai ... B. & S. 15 Formosa Hongkong ... J. M. & Co.

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PASSED THE CANAL.

Outward-Nov. 22nd Indrani. Flintshire Nov. 29th Gisela, Malacca, Benledi, Dorothea Rickmers: Duc. 6th Tantalus; Dec. 9th Sikh, Socotra, Vladimir; Dec. 13th Patroclus, Nor-

Homoward-Dec. igth Caledonien.

THE MESSAGE OF THE SPEAR.

AWAY back in the year 54 n.c.-1,948 years ago-s little detachment of Roman soldiers was beseiged by a host of Gaula at Charleroi, in the north of what is now called France Ballering that no help could possibly reach them, the Romans expected to fight until they were all stricken down. One day a short spear come whizzing over the remperts and stuck in one of the wooden towers. Nobody paid any attention to it at first. They just went on slaughtering Gauls and gotting 'slaughtered thomselves. A length an officer saw something fluttering from that spine. It proved to be a note from Julius Cosarwritten in Greek. He said he was on his way with an army to relieve the garrison. That note had been there, unheeded for several days. In due time Cossar came and made short work of the Gauls.

That propie should suffer and struggle hopelessiy when help is near at hand is sad to think of but they must know at the oaming help before they candraw courage from it. Take the terments and dangers of disease for example, We fight them with all the weapons, we have. Sametimes we hit on the right thing, and more often we don't, even when it is as close as the spear in the tower was to the exhaust ed garrison.

If Mr. Robert Lavis, postmaster at High Ham, Languart, Samerect, enald lines found a remody for indigestion, dyspensis, and liver complaint he certainly would not have suffered from it, as he did, for twonty years. Why that is more than half an avernee lifetime. A sincle day of illness is always long rmough, produces knows. But fancy such an experience stretching itself into weeks, months, and years ! Common enough ? Yes, dreadfully common. So is poverty; but does that fact reconcile anybody to cither? Mr. Lavis is not a man to sit tamely down and broad over a misfortung Besides being postmaster he is grocer, with work enough to keep him busy. Under what difficulties this work was done he tells us in a letter dated Nov. 8th, 1893.

"I had a bad teste in the mouth," he says, " par tioningly in the morning, and my mouth was dry, and I spat up thick, tennelous phlegm. After eating even the simplest food I had great pain in the chest and around the heart. I suffered greatly from slokhead-note and girldiness, and if I exercised much, I got out of breath."

· [This was nathma, caused by the stupifying action of foul blond upon the nerves that move the lungs; the impurities in the blood having come from the festering mess of undigested food in the stomach, The heart trauble, the sick headache, and the giddiness, were symptoms of the same thing.]

"As time went on," continues Mr. Lavis, "I becorre very low, weak, and montally discouraged and-

[A dector, writing shout this case for a learned medical journal, would use many tough-Latin words, Tout Jie would not make the facts as plain as Mr. Levis himself has made them. Naturally a man who can cat but little - which little mostly rots in his stomach-will lose firsh and strength and come to be of small use to himself or to any one else, We

can all see that even by candle light.] "I tried many medicines," he says finally, "but they did me no real good. At last I heard of Mother Beigel's Curative Syrup, and used it. I am happy to tell you that it soon relieved and cured me. Whenever I feel a sign of my old allment I resort to the Syrup at once, and the disease gets no further hold upon me. Publish my statement if you like, and believe me yours, &c., (Signed) Robert Lavis."

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Antimation.

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Auctions.

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THE Undersigned have received instructions from The OFFICIAL RECEIVER to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION ... For Account of CHENG KAM PO (FUNG KEE) DECEASED.

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STRAITS. Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their rish in the Hongkong and Kowloong Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the

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Goods not cleared by the 16th instant at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent.

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H. A. RITCHIE, Hongkong, 10th December, 1898.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGA-TION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES, FROM SHANGHAL AND KOBE,

THE Steamship "MARQUIS BACQUEHEM," having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby

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Superintendent. Hongkong, 15th December, 1898, "MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

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NOTICE

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S.S.. "MOGUL"....., is 15th Jan., 1899. For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, GARLILL & Co.,

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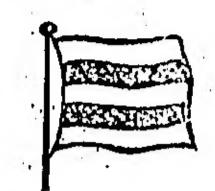
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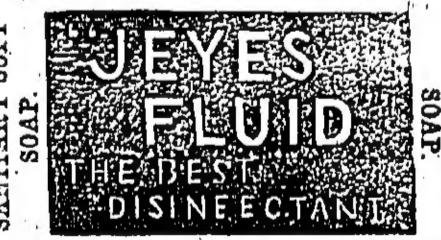
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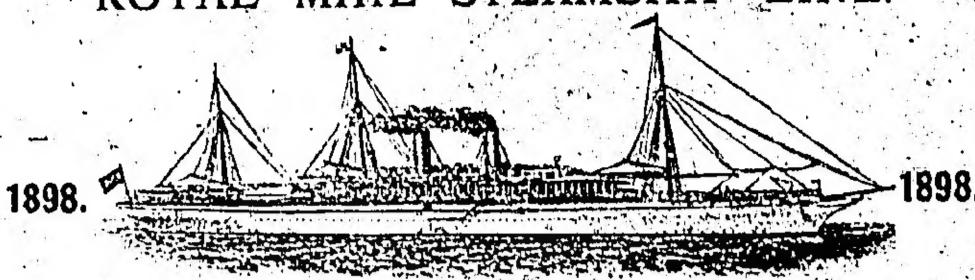
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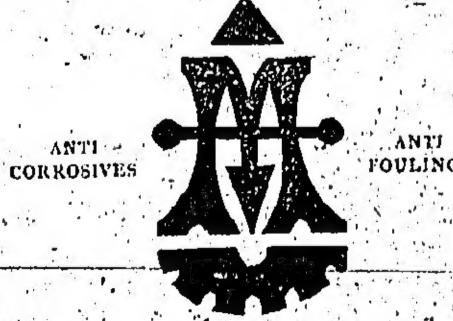
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Hongkong, 8th December, 1898.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND

HONOLULU PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, Naga-Thursday, 22nd Dec., suki, Kobe, Inland at Noon. Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)

Astec (via Nagasaki,) Kobe, Inland Sea, Tuesday, 27th Dec., -Yokohama & Honoat Noon.

City of Peking (via) Shanghai, Nagasaki, Suturday, 21st Jan., Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Hono-

THE U.S. Mail Steamship

China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, In-Thursday, 16th Feb. land Sea, Yokohana at Noon. and Honolulu)

at Noon.

"CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO," will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, LULU, on THURSDAY, the 22nd instant at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight-for. Japan, the United States, and Europe.

journey at any point en route.

tained on application. Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess. Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACI-FIG, UNITED PACIFIC, DENVER and

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to destination the choice of direct lines. Particulars of the various routes can be had on application. Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval. Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Service, to European Officers in the service of China and Japan, and

direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago

to Government officials and their families. Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Franscisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers. Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M.

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For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

I. S. VAN BUREN, Agent. Hongkong, 16th December, 1898. CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL

STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHESON TOPEKA & SANTA TE RAILROAD CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

and HONDLULU, The UNITED STATES. MEXICO, CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA, &c. Carlisle City 3,002 Jan. 15 Carmarthenshire | 2,929 | | Feb. 14

"CARLISLE CITY," will be despatched for SAN DIEGO VI NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKO-HAMA and HONOLULU, on or about to Europe.

THE Steamship

the 15th January. in the United States. Cargo will be received on board until 5 P.M. previous to sailing. the day previous to sailing. Parcel packages Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-

in full. Value of sairle is required. Consular Invoices, to accompany cargo des San Francisco. tined to Points beyond San Diego, should be For further information as to Freight or sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, Collector of Customs, San Diego. for futher information, as to Freight or Passage, apply to

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BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS: LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON. BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN HE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRIN-CIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

 Prinz Ireinrich	Wednesday	4th Jan.	
Preussen	Wednesday	1st Feb.	
Sachsen	-Wednesday	1st March.	Ţ

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, ON WEDNESDAY, the 4th day of January, tria SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, O 1899, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONO- "PRINZ HEINRICH," Captain O. Cuppers, with MAILS PASSENGERS SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at Naples and Genoa.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on Steamers of this line pass through the IN- MONDAY, the 2nd January. Cargo and Specie LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, will be received on board until 5 P.M. on and passengers are allowed to break their TUESDAY the 3rd January, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on Through Passage Tickets granted to England, TUESDAY, the 3rd January. Contents of France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines Packages, are required. No Parcel Receipts of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels United States of Canada. Rates may be ob- should not exceed Two Cubic Feet in

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AND EUROPE; THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. Coptic (via Shanghai,)

Nagasaki, Kobe, In- (Thursday, 5th Jan., land Sea, Yokohama. 1899, at Noon. and Honolulu). Gaelie (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, In- (Tuesday, 31st Jan.,

1899, at Noon. land Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu). Doric (via Shanghai,

Nagasaki, Kobe, In- (Saturday, 25th Feb., land Sez, Yokohama and Honolulu)."

THE Company's Steamship

"COPTIC". will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO. via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, IN-LAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLU-LU, on THURSDAY, the 5th January, at Steamers of this line pass through the IN-

LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route. Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic

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Officials in the service of China and Japan, and to Government, officials and their families. Passengers who have paid full fare, recembarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of to per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to Through Bills of Luding issued to any point address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day

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